

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Health OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings Jan. 18, 1934

January 18, 1934.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by Mr. Gibbons.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Messrs. Bailey, Gibbons, Larabee, McIntyre, Stitt, Yale.—6.

Absent—Messrs. Chamberlain, McConnell.—2.

By Mr. Larabee—

That Mr. Gibbons act as Chairman in the absence of the President and Vice-President.

Carried.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

### COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Ald. Smith, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the City Council, relative to submitting the department's budget as early as possible.

### REPORTS

Dr. Vanderslice submitted reports of the activities of the officers and employees

of the department for the month of December, 1933, which was received and placed on file.

The Plumber's License bond of Foster J. Whitmyer was approved on recommendation of the Committee on Bonds and Contracts.

### RESOLUTIONS

By Dr. McIntyre—

That the proposition of requesting two new cars for use of school nurses be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, to make a request to the City Council for these cars.

Carried.

By Dr. McIntyre—

That the proposition of changing location of quarters for the department be deferred for one month and that the Building Committee of the Board investigate further and report at the next meeting of this Board.

Carried.

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Health OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings Feb. 15, 1934

Lansing, Michigan,

February 15, 1934.

The Board met and was called to order by the President, Dr. McConnell.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Messrs. Bailey, Chamberlain, Gibbons, Larrabee, McConnell, Stitt, Yale.—8.

Absent—McIntyre.—1.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

### COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Larrabee, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, reported the purchase of one car for use by nurses.

### RESOLUTIONS

Motion was made by Mr. Gibbons and supported by Mr. Chamberlain to lay the "Meat Ordinance" suggested on the table for one month and to obtain a written legal opinion of the Ordinance from the City Attorney.

An amendment to the above Resolution was made by Mr. Gibbons as follows: That the Meat Ordinance be brought up at a special meeting two weeks from tonight—instead of one month.

Carried.

By Mr. Chamberlain—

Resolved by the Board of Health, That it shall be unlawful to operate, maintain or conduct any food establishment in which beer is sold to be consumed on the

premises by customers of both sexes, unless there shall be provided sufficient number of separate and distinct toilets for the use of each sex and plainly so designated. No person shall be allowed to use any such toilet intended for persons of the opposite sex. Such toilets shall be provided within twenty days after the person so owning, conducting or operating such a business is notified in writing by the Department of Health to install the desired number of toilets. This resolution shall take immediate effect.

Carried.

By Mr. Gibbons—

Resolved by the Board of Health, If raw milk is sold by any licensed dealer within the City Limits of Lansing, the health of the cattle from which the same is drawn must be determined by the blood test for contagious abortion, this test to be made by any competent veterinarian approved by the City Department of Health. Such cattle must be tested at least once a year and when reactors are found they must be removed from the herd and a retest of the herd conducted every ninety days, until two successive negative tests from the herd are recorded. The Department of Health shall in all cases be notified before the contagious abortion test is applied and after each application of the test the animals must be tagged in such a manner as to supply a record of the examination. This regulation shall take effect May 1st, 1934.

Carried.

The Board adjourned, to meet again on March 1st, 1934.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Health OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings March 1, 1934

### THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Lansing, Michigan

March 1, 1934.

The Board met and was called to order by the President, Dr. McConnell.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Messrs. Bailey, Gibbons, Larrabee, McConnell, Stitt and Yale.—6.

Absent—Messrs. Chamberlain and McIntyre.—2.

The minutes of the previous session were read. A motion was made by Mr. Larrabee and supported that the minutes be corrected.

The minutes were then approved as corrected.

The Meat Ordinance was taken into consideration. An amendment was made to the Meat Ordinance as follows:

"Section D—All floors shall be constructed of cement. Walls, partitions and ceilings shall be constructed of such materials as shall be approved by the Meat Inspector, under direction of the Board of Health. All walls, ceilings and partitions shall be maintained in a sanitary condition at all times."

By Mr. Gibbons—

That Section D be passed as amended.

Carried.

By Mr. Gibbons—

That Section 4, Paragraph A, of the Meat Ordinance be amended to read as follows:

"The Health Director of the City of Lansing is hereby empowered, etc."

Motion made by Mr. Gibbons and supported that the Meat Ordinance be passed as amended.

Carried.

The Resolution by Mr. Gibbons taken into consideration on February 15, 1934, be reconsidered at this time, and amended to read as follows:

"By Mr. Gibbons—Resolved, by the Board of Health, if raw milk is sold by any licensed dealer within the City Limits of Lansing, the Health of the cattle from which the same is drawn must be determined by the blood test for contagious abortion, this test to be made by any competent veterinarian approved by the City Department of Health. Such cattle must be tested at least once a year and when reactors are found they must be removed from the herd and farm and a retest of the herd conducted every ninety days, until two successive negative tests from the herd are recorded. The Department of Health shall in all cases be notified before the contagious abortion test is applied and after each application of the test the animals must be tagged in such a manner as to supply a record of the examination. This regulation shall take effect May 1st, 1934."

By Mr. Larrabee—

That the Resolution, as amended, be passed tonight.

Carried.

### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

The Sanitary Inspector, Mr. Noyes, reported regarding the progress made by food establishments where beer is sold, to comply with the regulations of the Board of Health in respect to providing sufficient number of toilets.

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Health OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings March 1, 1934

### BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE CITY OF LANSING

March 15, 1934.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Dr. McConnell.

#### ROLL CALL

Present—Messrs. Chamberlain, Gibbons, McConnell, Stitt, Yale.—6.

Absent—Messrs. McIntyre and Bailey.—2.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

#### REPORTS

The Health Director filed reports of the activities of officers and employes of the Health Department for the month of February, which was received and placed on file.

#### RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. Gibbons—

That the Committee on Sanitation confer with the Mayor relative to conditions at the Mill Race and report to this Board at the next meeting.

Carried.

Mr. Gibbons recommended that certain improvements be made at the Lansing City

Hospital, including the adding of four registers in the hall, changing cold air registers, fixing windows and overhauling the automatic control.

By Mr. Gibbons—

That the Clinic Committee make a list of the equipment needed at the laboratory at the Health Center and confer with the Health Committee of the Council relative to securing the same, to be paid for from funds received from the County for clinic purposes.

Carried.

By Mr. Gibbons—

That the Budget as prepared and reviewed by this Board be presented to the Committee on Ways and Means of the City Council for allowance.

Carried.

By Mr. Larrabee—

That the President of the Board appoint a committee to confer with a committee from the Board of Education relative to health matters in the schools.

Carried.

President McConnell appointed as such committee Messrs. Larrabee, Stitt and Gibbons.

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Health OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings April 19, 1934

April 19, 1934.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Dr. McConnell.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Messrs. Chamberlain, Bailey, Gibbons, McIntyre, McConnell.—6.

Absent—Messrs. Stitt and Yale.—2.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Special Committee appointed to confer with a committee of the Board of Education relative to health matters in the schools, reported orally that a meeting had been held and that while the Committee of the Board of Education was in sympathy with the program suggested by Dr. Vanderslice, no assurance could be given by them of furnishing additional employees.

The Committee on Ways and Means reported that a conference had been held with the Committee on Ways and Means of the City Council and that on request of the Council Committee, the Budget had been revised.

By Dr. McIntyre—

That the action of the Committee be approved.

Carried.

The employment committee wish to make the following recommendations for employment of meat inspectors.

1. The appointment of Dr. Campbell of Lansing as a full time inspector for the Rosevale Packing Co. of Dewitt.
2. The appointment of Dr. F. E. Hamann of Lansing, Dr. R. D. Rice of Maple Rapids, and Dr. L. A. Ruff of Marshall as part-time inspectors.

We wish to recommend the following fees be charged the various slaughter houses for inspectional services: (1) For full time services, \$1,800 a year. (2) For part time services, \$2.00 an hour or any part thereof, or \$5.00 a half day, or \$10.00 a whole day plus a mileage fee of 5c a mile for the trip to and from the slaughter house; (3) A fee of 25c a carcass for all carcasses of cattle, lambs, or hogs brought into Lansing by farmers.

Signed:

J. H. LARABEE,  
H. E. CHAMBERLAIN.

By Mr. Chamberlain—

That the report of this Committee be adopted.

Lost.

By Mr. Gibbons—

That the recommendations of the Committee be approved by this Board, such recommendations to be in effect for a period of two months and that employees engaged for meat inspection work be employed with this understanding.

Carried.

### APPLICATIONS

Dr. B. D. Robbins applied for appointment as meat inspector and the application was placed on file.

### REPORTS

Dr. Vanderslice, Health Director, filed reports on activities and statistics of officers and employees of the Department which were received and placed on file.

Mr. Gibbons read a letter relative to plumbing work being done by unlicensed person and work not being installed according to the plumbing code.

### RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. Gibbons—

That this Board direct the secretary of the Board to communicate with Frank Distel, President of the Master Plumbers Association, and state that the Board has directed Mr. Fox, Plumbing Inspector to make a rigid inspection of all permits and when he finds any person operating without licenses or permits according to state law and city ordinances, whether they be master plumbers, journeymen plumbers or other persons, the Board recommended that Mr. Fox prosecute such person or persons.

By Mr. Gibbons—

That Dr. Vanderslice communicate with the State Plumbing Board, care of Frank Daine, asking that a list of licensed plumbers of Lansing and of those who have applied for a license be furnished for Mr. Fox, Plumbing Inspector.

Carried.

By Mr. Chamberlain—

That the appointing of officers and employees be of the department be deferred until after the budget has been adopted. Also that setting salaries for Lansing City Hospital employees be deferred until the next meeting.

Carried.

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Health OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings May 24, 1934

May 24, 1934.

The Board met in accordance with Section 286 of the City Charter upon call of the Mayor at the Board of Health offices in the City Hall.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Messrs. Chamberlain, Bailey, Gibbons, McConnell, Stitt, Yale, Larrabee.

Absent—Dr. McIntyre.—1.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

By Mr. Chamberlain—

That Dr. McConnell be elected President of the Board for the ensuing year.

The question was put by the Vice-President and Dr. McConnell was unanimously elected President of the Board.

By Dr. Yale—

That Mr. Chamberlain be elected Vice-President of the Board.

Carried.

### COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the State Plumbing Board advising Dr. Vanderslice that it was unable to furnish a list of plumbers who are licensed or who have applied for licenses at the present time.

Received and placed on file.

A communication was received from J. V. Sexton, Superintendent of Schools, calling attention to a resolution of the Board of Education adopted on April 23, 1934, in which the Board of Education took action to provide compensation for a school supervising nurse.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Ways and Means Committee made recommendations for salaries to be paid to the Lansing City Hospital.

By Mr. Larrabee—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

The Committee on Hospitals, Clinics and Nurses made a report relative to the em-

ployment of a Supervising Nurse for Schools in which they recommended the appointment of Miss Celia Humpsch for that position, and made other suggestions and recommendations.

By Mr. Chamberlain—

Whereas, in a resolution adopted by the Board of Education on April 23, 1934, providing for the appointment and compensation of a Supervising School Nurse at a salary of \$1350.00 per year, therefore, be it

Resolved, that Celia Humpsch be appointed Supervising School Nurse at the salary stated, beginning June 1, 1934, and that the Health Director be requested to advise the Board of Education of this action.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—6; Nays—0.

### REPORTS

Dr. Vanderslice filed a report of the activities of the officers and employees of the Board of Health for the month of April, 1934, which was received and placed on file.

### RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. Larrabee—

That Dr. Vanderslice's name be listed in the Telephone Directory under the caption "E. R. Vanderslice, Health Director".

Carried.

By Mr. Gibbons—

That the Hospital Committee be instructed to check over the needs of the Health Center and make additions and replacements found necessary.

Carried.

By Mr. Gibbons—

That the City Attorney be requested to give this Board an opinion as to the correct procedure for it to take to have the Mill Race filled up.

Carried.

By Dr. Yale—

That Mrs. Guy A. Blake be employed as a part time clerk in the Health Department at a salary of \$500 per year.

Carried.

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Health OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings June 28, 1934

### BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE CITY OF LANSING

June 28, 1934.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Dr. McConnell.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Messrs. Chamberlain, Bailey, Gibbons, Larrabee, McConnell, Yale.—6.

Absent—Messrs. McIntyre, Stitt.—2.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

### COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received from J. W. Planck, City Attorney, and from S. C. Jacka, City Engineer, relative to the Mill Race.

On motion of Mr. Gibbons, the communications were placed on file.

A communication was received from Guy Turney, Ass't Sanitary Inspector, and Chas. J. Fox, Building and Plumbing Inspector, relative to a dump located on the north side of East Saginaw Street, where rubbish is burned and garbage dumped.

By Mr. Chamberlain—

That a notice be sent to the owner of the property on East Saginaw used as a dump, that the dumping of garbage and burning of rubbish must cease.

Carried.

### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Dr. Vanderslice filed a report of the activities of the department for the month of May, 1934, which was received and placed on file.

### RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. Gibbons—

That the Board of Health recommend to the City Council that condemnation proceedings be instituted to condemn the Mill Race in order that it may be filled up and kept in a sanitary condition.

Carried.

By Dr. Yale—

That Mrs. Margaret Zirbes be appointed school nurse, to begin work September 1st.

Carried.

By Mr. Gibbons—

That the Employment Committee and Committee on Nurses be authorized to employ a school doctor.

Carried.

By Dr. Yale—

That the Committee on Ways and Means be authorized to request such transfers in funds as they may find necessary.

Carried.

By Mr. Gibbons—

That Mr. Larrabee be given authority to sign contract for coal for the Lansing City Hospital.

Carried.

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Health OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings Oct. 4, 1934

October 4, 1934,  
Lansing, Michigan.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Dr. McConnell.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Messrs. Chamberlain, Gibbons, Larrabee, McConnell, Yale.—5.

Absent—Messrs. Bailey, McIntyre, Stitt.—3.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Dr. Vander Slice filed reports of the activities of the department for the months of June, July and August, 1934, which were received and placed on file.

Sanitary Inspector reported relative to progress in abating the Mill Race menace.

### RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. Chamberlain—

That the following Resolution be spread on the minutes as to the work done relative to the Mill Race Controversy:

"The Board of Health wishes to make the following statement of the work accomplished toward abating the nuisance of the Mill Race in North Lansing.

1. A city sewer has been constructed running from the Mill Race east to the interceptor sewer. The stores located at 210-212 East Grand River have been connected to this sewer.

2. A continuation of this sewer was started October 3, and the work will be finished in a week's time. The sewer will cross the mill race and continue to the river. The stores located at 200-208 East Grand River will then be attached to this sewer, removing all sewage from the Mill Race that previous investigation has shown to be emptying into the race. No other source of contamination is known at this time.

3. That portion of the race running from the rear of 210-212 East Grand River north to the retaining wall located under the Michigan Central Brokerage Company has been cleaned, and a hole cut through the bottom of the race, allowing the drain water to flow out into the Grand River.

4. The Board wishes to commend the Board of Water and Light Commission for their purchase of the mill rights and their plans for repairing the dam and filling in the old race bed."

Carried.

By Mr. Gibbons—

That the coal purchase proposition be turned over to the Budget Committee to investigate and report at the next meeting.

Carried.

By Dr. Yale—

That the heating of the hallway at the Lansing City Hospital, also a sign to be erected in front of the Hospital, be referred to the Building Committee.

Carried.

By Mr. Gibbons—

The employment of four persons in the last sixty days, namely: Dr. Berg, School Physician; Miss Zirbes, School Nurse; Mr. Burch, Janitor at the Lansing City Hospital and Mrs. Burch, Laundress at the Hospital, be confirmed.

Carried.

By Mr. Larrabee—

Inasmuch as we understand that the City Council is expecting this department to put on an inspector for beer establishments and fix the salary, we recommend that Mr. Charles Gray be appointed to the position, contingent upon the action of the Council.

Carried.

By Mr. Gibbons—

That Miss Humpsch be allowed five cents per mile for the use of her car.

Carried.

By Dr. Yale—

That the City Council be requested to instruct the City Clerk to draw checks for car use by the Health Department employees each month.

Carried.

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Health OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings Nov. 15, 1934

Lansing, Michigan,  
November 15, 1934.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by Dr. McIntyre in the absence of the President and Vice-President.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Messrs. Bailey, Larrabee, McIntyre, Stitt.—4.

Absent—Messrs. Chamberlain, Gibbons, McConnell, Yale.—4.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

### REPORTS

Dr. Vanderslice filed a report of the activities of the officers and employees of the department, which was received and placed on file.

### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. Larrabee—

That an extension telephone be installed in Dr. Spencer's office.

Carried.

By Mr. Stitt—

That 1,000 toothbrushes be purchased at a cost of \$45 per thousand to be distributed by the City Dentist to children whose families are on relief, in urgent cases only.

Carried.

By Mr. Larrabee—

That this Board recommends that Dr. Vanderslice and Mr. Noyes, Sanitary Inspector, continue the present method of enforcing the milk ordinance regulations.

Carried.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.

The Board adjourned.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Health OF THE CITY OF LANSING

Proceedings Dec. 20, 1934

Lansing, Michigan,  
December 20, 1934.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the Vice-President Mr. Chamberlain.

## ROLL CALL

Present—Messrs. Bailey, Chamberlain, Gibbons, Larrabee, Yale.—5.

Absent—Messrs. McIntyre, McConnell, Stitt.—3.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

## COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the City Comptroller relative to lack of funds for salary of school nurse, on account of the School Board not releasing funds for this purpose other than funds which the Capital National Bank may release in the form of future dividends.

By Dr. Yale—

That the communication be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means of this Board.

Carried.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Gibbons of the Hospital Committee reported on the need of certain changes necessary for the heating system at the Lansing City Hospital.

## REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Dr. Vanderslice filed a report of activities of officers and employes of the Health Department, which was placed on file.

## RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. Gibbons—

That this Board request the City Council for a transfer of \$3,000 to the Clinic Fund and \$1,350 to Nurses Salary Fund.

Carried.

By Mr. Gibbons—

That the Committee on Buildings be instructed to have the necessary changes made in the heating plant at the Lansing City Hospital.

Carried.

By Mr. Gibbons—

That a committee composed of Dr. Vanderslice, Mr. Noyes and Mr. Larrabee be considered an ordinance to regulate the use of lethal gas for exterminating vermin or other purposes.

Carried.

By Mr. Larrabee—

That Dr. Vanderslice be empowered to employ a doctor to assist during the illness of Dr. Hermes, if necessary.

Carried.

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.